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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$4,500,000
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION OF DIVIDENDS.....\$ 500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$7,500,000

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HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
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For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
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Orbills granted on approved Security, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, August 24, 1885. 1449

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may, at their option, transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank is marked on Hongkong Savings' Bank Business forwarded free by the various Postal Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG
BANKING
CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 7, 1885. 764

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000

PAID-UP.....\$ 500,000

REGISTERED OFFICE,
40, THEATRE-DE-CHINE STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES:

In India, China, Japan and the Colonies.

THE BANK RECEIVES Money on Deposit, buys and sells Bills of Exchange, issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills of Lading, and transacts Banking and Agency Business generally on terms to be had on application.

CLAIMS ON THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION PURCHASED ON ADVANTAGEOUS TERMS.

H. A. HERBERT,
Manager,
Hongkong Branch.

Hongkong, July 4, 1885. 1123

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been nominated by Special Appointment COMMERCIAL AGENTS for the FOREIGN BUSINESS of His Excellency the VIGEROT D'UHUILE.

RUSSELL & CO.

Hongkong, August 11, 1885. 1070

Intimations.

NOTICE

A N Extraordinary General MEETING of the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB will be held on FRIDAY, the 29th Instant, at 5 p.m., in the GYMNASIUM, to consider certain Financial Matters connected with the forthcoming Regatta.

J. H. STEWART-LOCKHART,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, October 22, 1885. 1847

HONGKONG, CHINA.

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACT.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERERS are INVITED from Persons desirous of Contracting for the Performance of various Works required in the CONSTRUCTION of BATTERIES at Stonecutter's Island.

The Contract is to be based on the War Department Schedule of Prices for Artificer's Work already applicable to the Station.

The printed Schedule, with Forms of Contract, and Form of Tender and any further information necessary, may be obtained by application to the GOVERNMENT Surveyor, Royal Engineer Office, Queen's Road, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. daily.

A sum of Five Dollars will be charged for each copy of the Schedule, which will be refunded on the return of the same clean and uninjured within one month of the date of issue.

Tenders to be addressed up to 12 o'clock, Noon, on SATURDAY, the 28th October, to the SENIOR COMMISSIONER OF WORKS, Hongkong, and marked on the outside of the envelope, "Tenders for Batteries at Stonecutter's Island."

The Secretary of State for War does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

EDMOND WALKER,
Colonel R.E.,
Commanding Royal Engineers,
China & Straits Settlements.

Royal Engineer Office,
Hongkong, 17th October, 1885. 1840

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fourth Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Undersigned, at 12 o'clock (Noon), on SATURDAY, the 31st October instant.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be closed on the 17th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, October 10, 1885. 1760

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JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, September 1, 1885. 1502

NOTICE.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1884.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in Order that the DISTRIBUTION of the PROFITS reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF OCTOBER, 1884, will be adjusted by the Company, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, September 1, 1885. 1502

NOTICE.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & CO.,
Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,
Jewellers, Gold & Silver Smiths,
Nautical, Scientific and
Meteoro-logical
INSTRUMENTS.

VOYAGEURS—CELESTRADE,
BINOCULARS and TELESCOPES,
RITCHIE'S LUCID SPHERES, COMPASSES,
ADMIRALY & IMPR. CHARTS,
NAUTICAL BOOKS.

English SILVER & ENAMEL-PLATEDWARE,
Charlotte & Co.'s Electro-PlatedWARE,
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY,
in great variety.

D. LAMOND & S.

DIAMOND JEWELLERY.

A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON PATTERNS, at very moderate prices. 745

NOTICE.

THE HARDEN

HAND GRENADE

FIRE EXTINGUISHER

IN THE WORLD.

having been used in England and America, with the greatest success for the past year, and having extinguished over 500 Actual Fires, thereby saving millions of dollars worth of property.

These GRENADES are sold at \$15.00 per each of one dozen each, and no Grenades sold less than dozen lots.

N. B.—The "Star" Grenade Co. have no connection with any other Fire Grenade Company.

Send all Orders to

E. CLARK

Hongkong Hotel

Hongkong, September 23, 1885. 1832

NOTICE.

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Guest of Clothing Room, or

Parson will be thankfully received

at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

RUSSELL & CO.

Hongkong, July 4, 1885. 1123

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Hongkong, July 4, 1885. 1123

Intimations.

GRIFFITH'S
NEW VIEWS OF HONGKONG
ARE
NOW READY,
1, DUDELL STREET.

GRIFFITH & CO.,
MANUFACTURERS

OF THE
LONDON CIVILIZED WATERS,
1, DUDELL STREET.

Continue to Supply:

SODA WATER, LEMONADE,
TONIC " GINGERADE,
SODA " RASPBERRYADE,
&c., &c., &c.
At the same Moderate Charges.

Hongkong, June 9, 1885. 95

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1884.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby requested to send in to this Office a List of their Contracts in the Province for the year ending 31st December, and in order to ascertain the PROPORTION OF PROFIT for that year to be paid as BONUS to Contributors may be arranged. Returns not sent in before the 30th November next, will be made up by the Company, and no subsequent claims or alterations will be allowed.

By Order of the Directors,

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, October 1, 1885. 1714

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship
Peking,
Captain G. HEUERMANN,
will be despatched for the
above Port TO-MORROW, the 30th Inst.
at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & CO.
Hongkong, October 29, 1885. 1885

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Steamship
Glory,
Captain GHEK, will be
despatched as above on

SATURDAY, the 31st instant, at NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO.

Hongkong, October 29, 1885. 1886

STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS
The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s
Steamship
Bangalore
will leave for the above
places on FRIDAY, 6th November, at 3 p.m.

A. MCIVER,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, October 29, 1885. 1883

NOTICE
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
The Co.'s Steamship
Merle,
Commandant BENOIS,
will be despatched for
KOBE and YOKOHAMA shortly after the
arrival of the Mail Steamer from EUROPE.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 29, 1885. 1880

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Merle,
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will be despatched for
SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from
Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 29, 1885. 1881

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,
MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI,
TRISTE, VENICE,
PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN
GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES,
TRISTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK
AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
HYDRAE, Captain G. SCRIVENER, with
Her Majesty's Medals, will be despatched
from this for LONDON, via BOMBAY
and SUEZ CANAL, on TUESDAY, the
10th November, at 4 p.m.

Cargo will be received on board until
10 a.m. on the day of sailing.

Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office
until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be
transhipped at Colombo; Tea and Gen-
eral Cargo for London will be conveyed
via Bombay without transhipment, arriving
one week later by the ordinary direct
route via Colombo.

For further Particulars regarding
FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the
PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are
required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to
note the terms and conditions of the Com-
pany's Black Bills of Lading.

Passengers desirous of insuring their bag-
gage can do so on application at the Com-
pany's Office.

N.B.—This Steamer takes Cargo and Pa-
sengers for MARSEILLES.

A. MCIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, October 29, 1885. 1884

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL.

Manager, NEIL O'BRIEN.

MASCOTTE OPERA COMPANY.

THIS EVENING,

THURSDAY, the 29th October.

EXTRAORDINARY NOTICE.

FAREWELL PERFORMANCE

OF THE

MASCOTTE OPERA COMPANY.

Owing to the delay in the departure of the

Shanghai steamer, the MASCOTTE OPERA

COMPANY will perform THIS EVENING,

VINCENT WALLACE'S

GEM OF ENGLISH OPERAS,

MARITANA,

M A R I T A N A .

MARITANA.

20th POSITIVELY THE LAST APPEARANCE

IN HONGKONG.

Conductor, SIGNORE VALENZA.

Box Plan now open at KELLY & WALSH'S

(LIMITED).

Hongkong, October 29, 1885. 1879

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-
tions to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 2nd November, 1885, at 2 p.m., at his
Sales Rooms, DUDELL STREET,

THE

WRECK OF THE DANISH STEAMER

E X P E D I T,

As she lies off HAINAN HEAD.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on fall of the
hammer.

G. R. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, October 29, 1885. 1882

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

October 28, 1885.—

Ellen, British barque, 490 Wm. Anthony,
Sanfrancisco September 26. Timber.—Ondine,
Kil-are, British steamer, 2,271, J. Johnston,
Shanghai October 25. Ballast—Gins,
LIVINGSTON & CO.

Forwards—

Sigal, German steamer, 385, C. A. Hund-
dowitz, Pahko October 23, Hoilow 27, and
Macao 28, General.—SIEMSEN & CO.

Cloudy, British steamer, 1,411, Gleeks,
Switow—October 28, General.—JARDINE,
MATHEWS & CO.

Bangalore, British steamer, 1,309, Francis
Cole, Embay October 10, and Singapore,
General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Sifid, Spanish 3-masted schooner, 520,
Ramon Leston, Atotonilco October 23,
Timor.—Lane, CRAWFORD & CO.

Cleared.

Continental, for Guan.

Camelot, for Amoy.

Namoa, for Coast Ports.

DEPARTURES.

October 29.—

Foochow, for Shanghai.

Carl Bohn, for Hainan and Pahko.

Actie, for Amoy.

Eise, for Hainan.

Achilles, Amoy and Shanghai.

Atmatis, for Pahko.

Buktan, for Manila.

Veloz, for Whampoa.

Germany, for Shanghai.

The usual hours will be observed in closing
the Mails, &c.

PASSENGERS.

Arrived.

Per Ellen, from Sandakan, Mr. C. Cook.

Per Nialin, from Hoikow, Mr. Windsor,

and 32 Chinese.

Per Gheroy, from Swatow, 401 Chinese.

Per Bangalore, from Singapore, &c., &c.

Chinese.

Depart.

Per Diamond, for Amoy, Mr and Mrs

Alex. Gullan.

Per Metta, for Hainan, 20 Chinese.

Per Adelie, for Amoy, 3 Europeans, and

80 Chinese.

Per Alice, for Haiphong, 15 Chinese.

Per Eza, for Haiphong, 30 Chinese.

Per Foochow, for Shanghai, 20 Chinese.

Per Buttan, for Manila, 2 Europeans.

Day of departure.

7 A.M.—Post Office opens.

10 A.M.—Registry of Letters ceases.

Posting of all printed matter
and patterns ceases.

11 A.M.—Mails closed, except for Late
Letters.

11.10 A.M.—Letters may be posted with
Late Fee of 10 cents until

11.30 A.M.—When the Post Office closes
entirely.

11.40 A.M.—Late Letters may be posted
on board the packet with Late
Fee of 10 cents until time of
departure.

HOURS OF CLOSING.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The following hours are observed in closing
Mails, &c., by the French Contract
Packet:

Day before departure (or Saturday if the
departure be on Monday):

5 P.M.—Money Order Office closes.

Post Office closes, except the
Night Box, which is always
open out of Office hours.

Day of departure:

7 A.M.—Post Office opens.

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet Ours

will be despatched on TUESDAY,

the 3rd November, with Mails for the

United Kingdom, Europe, and places

THE CHINA MAIL.

home, and where all are more or less acquainted with the appearance and manners of the characters portrayed, and therefore better able to criticize the performance, is highly creditable to the *Mascotes*. It is true that the dresses of the leading characters last night could hardly have been much excelled, either as regards beauty and appropriateness of design, or richness of material, but the scenic effects were much inferior to those commonly seen in London theatres. Besides, there were other things lacking, such as full choruses, which materially assist in the successful production of an opera. So far as the resources of Hongkong can go in these respects, however, they were used to the best advantage, and the scenery in both acts was at least appropriate, and the choruses useful.

It was to the acting and singing of the principal characters that the performance owed its merit. To deal with the dramatists per se in the order in which they appear in the cast, we must first notice the *Mikado*, a part undertaken by Mr C. H. Grace (an amateur who has frequently appeared of late on the Hongkong boards under the name of Mr Brandon). The *Mikado* does not make his entrance until the middle of the second act, and even then extremely little is required of him. Mr Grace did this little remarkably well. We are not sure that he was altogether as dignified as he ought to have been, but this want was not painfully felt by the audience. His song 'A more humane *Mikado*' was capitally rendered, and was execrably vigorous. *Nanki-Poo*, the son of the *Mikado*, was personated by Mr Vernon Reid. Mr Reid's performance was greatly marred by his complete neglect to 'make up' his facial appearance, which did not bear the slightest resemblance to anything Japanese. In fact his appearance was much more like that of an every-day young man than that of either a wandering Japanese musician or a *Mikado*'s son. As a lover, he was hardly impassioned enough in his acting, but his singing especially in the duet with *Yum-Yum*, and the other concerted pieces, was very good. Mr Jules Malcolm, in the character of *Ko-Ko*, the Lord High Executioner, had the bravest role in the whole opera. This part would have been taken by Mr Tyrrell but for his sudden sickness, and Mr Malcolm deserves the warmest approbation for the efficient representation which he gave of this trying part. Mr Malcolm's histrionic powers are vastly superior to his vocal, and it was for his clever acting he gained the hearty applause with which he was from time to time treated. In the scene with *Katisha*, he was very amusing. 'Oh! willow, willow, willow,' rendered by *Ko-Ko*, was one of the best bits in the performance. *Fool-Dah*, Lord High Everything Else, was personated by Mr Farley, who made as much of an indifferent role as it was possible to make. *Pish-Tish*, a noble lord, whose connection with the opera is difficult to understand, and who might almost as well have been left out, was taken by Mr Scott. Coming to the ladies, we have first to deal with *Katisha*, an elderly lady, in love with *Nanki-Poo*. This part fell to the lot of Miss Seymour, who gave a careful representation of this most repellent, ugly, but amorous old lady. The part was created specially for a particular member of the D'Oyley Carte Company, and it is hardly to be wondered at that Miss Seymour failed to do full justice to the character. She acted and sang, however, in a most conscientious manner, and aided the general success. Of the three sisters *Pitti-Sing* (Miss Carris Hubert), *Pop-Bo* (Miss B. Thompson), and *Yum-Yum* (Miss Eva Davenport), the last is the only one calling for mention. On *Yum-Yum* devolves the largest amount of singing of any of the characters, and on her acting a good deal of the success or failure of the opera depends. It is needless to say that both in singing and acting Miss Davenport acquitted herself capitally. Her impersonation was almost without a fault, and she did complete justice to the music and to the libretto. She was warmly encor for her rendering of 'The sun, whose rays.' Miss Hubert earned an enthusiastic encore for her attractive singing of the catch 'For he's going to marry *Yum-Yum*.' The various trio, quartet, and glee throughout the opera were exceedingly well rendered, and formed almost the most pleasing feature of the opera. The madrigal just after the opening of the second act, in which *Yum-Yum*, *Pitti-Sing*, *Nanki-Poo* and *Pop-Bo* took part, was, we think, the most admired number of the evening, and was loudly applauded.

FATAL AFFRAY AT CANTON.
(From Our Correspondent.)

Canton, Oct. 28th 1885.

The other day a Chinaman was killed on *Honam* by a Portuguese. The Portuguese is engaged by the Chinese Government to prevent smuggling, and the Chinaman was killed during an affray that arose out of an attempt to seize some *kerongs* for which duty had not been paid. The unfortunate man who was killed is engaged by a man Chinese by descent, but who claims to be a naturalized British subject. I believe his name is Ho. The Portuguese was taken to the British Consulate and examined. Robberies with violence in Canton are frequent.

More anon.

MEETING OF SEATHOLDERS OF THE UNION CHURCH.

A meeting of the seatholders of Union Church was held in the Church building yesterday afternoon, when a goodly number of those interested were present.

Mr John McGregor, who was voted to the chair on the motion of Mr Granville Sharp, said it might be convenient if he alluded briefly to the proceedings which had brought about the present meeting. It was doubtless in the knowledge of most of those present that certain members of the congregation had addressed a letter to the Trustees of the Church, calling their attention to the proceedings at the meeting on 16th September last, alleging that these were not in harmony with the Trust Deed and asking them to take certain steps.

This letter had received very careful consideration at the hands of the Trustees, who had remitted the matter back to the Southholders, they being, in the opinion of the Trustees, the proper persons to move. Following thereon he understood that there had been interchanges of opinion between the members of the Congregation, and some informal meetings had been held with the view of arriving at a friendly solution of the difficulty which had arisen. The result was, he believed, that a series of resolutions would be submitted for the approval of this meeting, with the view of placing matters upon a footing in accordance with the Trust Deed. With their approval he would read the letter to the Trustees, and their answer, but before doing so he should premise that, as regards certain statements in the letter as to individual action on the part of certain executive officers of the Church, it had been found upon examination by the Trustees that the officers had obtained such assent and authority, as a matter of fact the steps taken were not in accordance with the requirements of the Trust Deed.

It was suggested that only the Trustees' report should be read, as this would supply all necessary information; and this being put to the meeting, was agreed to.

It was then proposed by Mr D. R. Crawford, and seconded by Mr J. D. Hutchison, —

That the declaration of 25th April last, that seats upon the Church are free, and the introduction of a purely voluntary system of support, is inconsistent with the spirit of the Trust Deed, and that a voluntary qualification of Scotchholders thereby established.

The rest of a seat in Union Church has been for many years, and with the exception of the first year, for 10/- per annum, payable half yearly in advance; viz., from 1st April to 30th September and from 1st October to 31st March. The amount of the seat is to be paid in individual cases to the sum of 50 per year payable as above.

This resolution having been carried nearly unanimously, it was proposed by Mr Dyer Ball, and seconded by Mr H. McCullum, —

That the Treasurer of the Church resume the old method of collecting the seat rents, and issue receipts in respect of the seats taken in the form in use until September last.

Carried unanimously. — Mr J. D. Hutchison next proposed, and Dr Young's coda, —

That all persons who have paid their regular sum, in respect of the sum of 50 per year, shall be invited to qualify as voters by paying, before the end of six months from date of these payments, the balance of their seat's seat rents.

This resolution having been unanimously carried, it was proposed by Mr A. Falconer, and seconded by Mr Crawford, —

That the amount of a voter to the Church be restricted to 10/- per annum, payable half yearly, and that opportunity to acquire the right of voting.

The motion having been also agreed to, Mr Sharp having observed that the Committee of Management elected at least once a year, —

Carried unanimously. — Mr J. D. Hutchison next proposed, and Dr Young's coda, —

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